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He Patent Application of:

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Title: "APPARATUS FOR INDIRECTLY

STIMULATING THE VAGUS NERVE WITH AN

ELECTRICAL FIELD"

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## REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF ERROR IN SMALL ENTITY FEES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)

Dear Sir:

Applicant submits that an error in small entity status occurred during the prosecution of United States Patent Application No. 10/051,752 ("the '752 Application"). Applicant respectfully requests that the small entity status established during prosecution be withdrawn. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c), Applicant has provided below an explanation of how the small entity status was established in good faith and an explanation of how a loss of entitlement occurred during the prosecution of the '752 Application. Applicant has also provided an itemization of each individual deficiency payment and the total deficiency payment owed, as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)(2)(ii). Please charge the total deficiency payment owed and any

additional required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3080. 11/28/2006 MBELETEI 00000055 133080 10051752

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## **Explanation:**

When the '752 Application was originally filed, the sole inventor, Dr. John D. Puskas, was under an obligation to assign the invention to Emory University, a small entity institution of higher education under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(3)(ii)(A). Accordingly, Applicant established the small entity status during prosecution of the '752 Application in good faith. However, later during the prosecution of the '752 Application, the '752 Application was licensed by Medtronic, Inc., a large entity corporation. As a result, a loss of entitlement to small entity status occurred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(3)(i).

## Itemization of the deficiency payment:

Current one-month extension fee for non-small entities	\$120.00
Original one-month extension fee paid on 6/17/2002 at the small entity rate	\$55.00
Deficiency Owed	\$65.00

Current late filing fee surcharge for non-small entities	\$130.00
Original late filing fee surcharge paid on 6/17/2002 at the small entity rate	\$65.00
Deficiency Owed	\$65.00

Current filing fee for non-small entities	\$790.00
Original filing fee paid on 6/17/2002 at the small entity rate	\$370.00
Deficiency Owed	\$420.00

	Per Claim	7 Claims
Current independent claim fee for non-small entities	\$200.00	\$1400.00
Original independent claim fee paid on 6/17/2002 at the small entity rate	\$42.00	\$294.00
Deficiency Owed		\$1106.00

	Per Claim	100 Claims
Current excess claim fee for non-small entities	\$50.00	\$5000.00
Original excess claim fee paid on 6/17/2002 at the small entity rate	\$9.00	\$900.00
Deficiency Owed		\$4100.00

Total Deficionar Owed	\$5696.00
Total Deficiency Owed	33090.00

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In conclusion, Applicant respectfully submits that this Request and the payment of the total deficiency payment owed operates as a notification of loss of small entity status under 35 C.F.R. § 1.28(d).

Respectfully submitted,

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